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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

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In response to the Examiner's final Office Action of January 25, 2007 issued with respect to the present application the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment to the claims and the following Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claim 1 is amended to specify that the compensation ensures that respective nozzles of respective ones of the rows are controlled to print a dot at a single location on print media. Support for this amendment can be found at page 492, line 29-page 493, line 30 of the present specification; and

dependent claims 2-18 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application.

Regarding 35 USC 102(e) and 103(a) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of above-discussed amended independent claim I is not disclosed by Haflinger either alone or in view of any one or more of Askren, Dings, Hackleman, Kamoshida, Walmsley, Silverbrook, Usui, King and Morita, for at least the following reasons.

In the Response to Arguments section of the present final Office Action the Examiner asserts that the recitation "same location on print media" of pending independent claim 1 "is interpreted as the entire print media", and therefore contends that Haflinger discloses the claimed invention.

As discussed above, independent claim 1 has been further amended to specifically recite that a "single physical location" is to be printed by the multiple nozzles of the multiple nozzle rows upon the claimed compensation (see page 492, line 29-page 493, line 30 of the present specification).

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's interpretation is no longer possible, such that amended independent claim 1, and claims 2-18 dependent therefrom, are distinguished from Haflinger, and the other cited references, for at least the reasons discussed by the Applicant in the Replies to the previous Office Actions.

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It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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